

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2019-26-E - ORDER NO. 2020-295

APRIL 7, 2020

IN RE: Petition of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for)	ORDER APPROVING
an Accounting Order to Defer Incremental)	ACCOUNTING ORDER
Storm Damage Expenses from Hurricane)	TO DEFER
Florence and Hurricane Michael, and to)	INCREMENTAL STORM
Continue Previously Authorized Storm)	DAMAGE EXPENSES
Deferrals)	FROM HURRICANE
)	DORIAN

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on Duke Energy Progress, LLC’s (“Duke”) Petition for an accounting order to defer significant costs incurred in connection with Hurricane Dorian and add the balance of such regulatory asset to the balances addressed by Commission Order No. 2019-126, which specifies the Commission's treatment of storm balances relating to Hurricanes Florence, Michael, Matthew, and certain ice storms. Duke states that 27,214 customers in South Carolina were impacted when Hurricane Dorian made landfall on September 5, 2019. Full service restoration was accomplished for all customers able to receive service by September 9, 2019, with an approximate cost of \$22 million to be trued-up when final amounts are known by mid-2020.

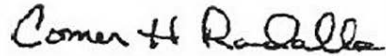
The utility also maintains that its request will not involve a change to any of Duke’s retail rates or prices at this time, or require any change in any Commission rule, regulation, or policy. Further, the Office of Regulatory Staff has no objection to the request.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Petition for an Accounting Order to Defer Incremental Storm Damage Expenses from Hurricane Dorian is approved. The issuance of the requested accounting order will not prejudice the right of any party to address these issues in a subsequent general rate case proceeding or any other proceeding. After Duke performs its true up, it shall file a report with the Commission and ORS. Further, we request the Office of Regulatory Staff review cost offsets or recovery from either affiliate agreements or insurance to be addressed at the next rate case or other proceeding.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Comer H. "Randy" Randall, Chairman

ATTEST:



Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk/Executive Director